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SUBJECT: LOS: POSSIBLE EFFORT INVITE PRG TO PARTICIPATE IN LAW
OF SEA CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 216882

SUMMARY: CHIEF OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF MFA ASSURED
CHARGE NOVEMBER 6 THAT GOS WILL NOT VOTE IN FAVOR OF RESOLUTION
TO INVITE PRG TO LOS CONFERENCE. IN DECIDING WHETHER TO VOTE
AGAINST RESOLUTION OR TO ABSTAIN, GOS WILL GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDER-
ATION TO U.S. ARGUMENTS AGAINST INVITING PRG. END SUMMARY

1. I TOOK OCCASION OF LUNCH TODAY WITH COUNSELOR WILHELM
WACHTMEISTER, CHIEF OF MFA POLITICAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, TO TELL
HIM THAT I WAS RAISING, UPON INSTRUCTIONS, ISSUE OF POSSIBLE IN-
VITATION TO PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM (PRG)
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TO LAW OF SEA CONFERENCE. DRAWING UPON ARGUMENTS IN REF A, I

INFORMED HIM THAT U.S.M INTEREST AND ATTENTION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA HAS NOT FLAGGED AND THAT WE WERE WATCHING TO SEE HOW GOVERNMENTS WOULD VOTE ON THIS ISSUE. I SAID UNGA INVITATION TO PRG WOULD BE REGARDED BY US AS MATTER OF SERIOUS CONCERN.

2. WACHTMEISTER, WELL INFORMED ABOUT PROBLEM, ASSURED ME GOS WOULD NOT VOTE IN FAVOR OF A RESOLUTION TO INVITE PRG. IT WOULD CONSIDER ONLY WHETHER TO VOTE AGAINST OR TO ABSTAIN. WHEN I REPLIED THAT U.S. HOPED SWEDEN WOULD VOTE AGAINST INVITATION, WACHTMEISTER SAID GOS WOULD CERTAINLY TAKE U.S. ARGUMENTS INTO CONSIDERATION. HE NOTED THAT GOS ROUTINELY ABSTAINS IN UN ISSUES TURNING ON AN ENTITY NOT RECOGNIZED BY SWEDEN.
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